

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office in
Jefferson City on the 20th day
of January, 2015.

In the Matter of the Proposed Change to Laclede)	
Gas Company's General Rule and Regulations)	<u>File No. GT-2016-0182</u>
Fourth Revised Tariff Sheet No. R-13)	Tariff No. YG-2016-0183

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR
EXPEDITED TREATMENT AND
APPROVING TARIFF**

Issue Date: January 20, 2016

Effective Date: January 20, 2016

On January 15, 2015, Laclede Gas Company filed a revised tariff sheet and a motion to expedite approval of that tariff sheet. The revised portion of the tariff sheet is in response to recent flooding in the company's service area and states as follows:

Neither a service initiation fee nor a reconnection charge shall be applied to customers restoring natural gas service within a year of losing such service due to property damage resulting from flooding occurring within the Company's service territory during the last week of 2015 and the first week of 2016.

The tariff sheet bears an effective date of February 14, 2016. Laclede, however, requests that the Commission approve the sheet to go into effect by January 20, 2016. In support of its request, Laclede states that harm will be avoided by expedited approval because it will provide a modest measure of economic relief to customers who are already experiencing a financial hardship as a result of recent flooding. Laclede states that this request was filed as soon as it could have been and that the Office of the Public Counsel and the Staff of the Commission have no objection to the relief sought. On January 19, 2015, Staff filed a recommendation that the Commission approve Laclede's request.

Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(14) requires that companies seeking expedited treatment shall state the date by which they desire the Commission to act, the harm that will be avoided, and that the request was filed as soon as it could have been. Laclede has satisfied these rule requirements. Also, Section 393.140 (11), RSMo requires an effective date of no less than 30 days for changes to tariffs. That same statute, however, allows the Commission to approve such changes in less than 30 days for good cause. The Commission finds that Laclede has set forth good cause for approval of this tariff change in less than 30 days.

The Commission will grant Laclede's motion for expedited treatment and will approve the tariff sheet to go into effect in less than 30 days.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Laclede Gas Company's motion for expedited treatment of its revised tariff sheet revision is granted.
2. The tariff sheet, P.S.C. Mo. 5, Fourth Revised Sheet No. R-13, Tariff File No. YG-2016-0183, is approved to become effective on January 20, 2016.
3. This order shall be effective on January 20, 2016.
4. This file shall be closed on January 21, 2016.

BY THE COMMISSION



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Hall, Chm., Stoll, Kenney,
Rupp, and Coleman, CC., concur.

Jones, Senior Regulatory Law Judge